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## MOURNING.

### Death of Michael Davitt Causes Great Sorrow Among Patriots.

### Noted Irishman's Demise Primarily Due to Ulcerated Tooth.

### Accident in Youth Gave Him a Chance to Become Famous.

### HE HAD MANY ADMIRERS HERE

Michael Davitt, Irish patriot and author, died in Dublin at midnight on Wednesday. He had been ill a fortnight or more and his death had been expected. When he passed into eternity his eldest son, Michael, Jr., and his two daughters were at his bedside. So also were the Hon. John Dillon and several other intimate friends. He had been fortified by the rites of the church and was fully aware that death was inevitable. The Rev. Father Hutton left him a short time before he died. Mrs. Davitt, who had been in constant attendance at her husband's bedside, was taken seriously ill on Friday last. Her condition is so serious that she has not been informed of her husband's death.

Three weeks ago Mr. Davitt was in excellent health for a man of his age, when suddenly an ulcerated tooth developed. Before he was aware of it blood poisoning set in, and this eventually brought about his demise. Mr. Davitt visited Louisville twenty years ago and was given a warm welcome by local Irish-Americans. He was thoroughly Irish and believed in the rights of the people.

Michael Davitt was born at Straid, County Mayo, in 1846, and is consequently sixty years old. His people were poor, and like many others, the boy had to begin life as a wage-earner at an early age. He was sent to England and worked in a factory there. Fortunately or unfortunately, the young workman lost an arm in the factory's machinery. Deprived of making a living in his menial occupation, Davitt began to read and study. If he had retained the use of both arms he might never have been incited to higher efforts. Hence his many admirers believe that the loss of his arm was a blessing in disguise.

Nature gave him a bright mind and a retentive memory, so that young Davitt was soon a thorough master of English expression. He had inherited a hatred of English oppression, and from his early manhood he has never failed to give vent to his feelings regarding British domination in Ireland. Before he was twenty-one years old Michael Davitt became a member of the Fenian Brotherhood. A little later, in 1870, he was arrested as a Fenian and sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude. After serving seven years he was released and returned to Ireland, where he began a crusade against the absentee landlords.

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## COMING HOME.

### Wandering Sons and Daughters Will Visit Old Kentucky.

"Home coming week" will be a gala event in Louisville. While the formal celebration will not begin until Wednesday, June 13, there are many former Kentuckians who will arrive several days before. On Wednesday visitors and hosts will assemble at the handsome new armory to hear addresses of welcome from Gov. Beckham, Mayor Barth and the Hon. Henry Watterson. To these the Hon. David R. Francis, of St. Louis, will reply, and to crown all Miss Louise Lee Hardin, now of Denver, Col., who suggested the "home coming," will be decorated with a gold medal. During the afternoon of the same day there will

be a grand floral parade. The day will close with the Philharmonic concert at the armory.

Thursday will be known as Stephen Collins Foster day, in honor of the man who wrote "My Old Kentucky Home." A statue of the composer, erected out of subscriptions raised among Kentucky school children, will be unveiled at the armory. Mrs. Marian Foster Welsh, of Allegheny, Pa., only daughter of Foster, will draw aside the veil.

On Friday a statue of Daniel Boone will be unveiled at Cherokee Park and in the evening there will be a street pageant after the manner of the Veiled Prophets at St. Louis. The crowning event of the day will be a ball at the armory.

Saturday will be "Greater Kentucky" day, and the programme will be divided between Louisville and Frankfort. In the latter city the corner-stone of the new State Capitol will be laid, while in this city a reception will be given at Central Park in honor of the distinguished ex-Kentuckians present. On Sunday "Till We Meet Again" services will be held in the churches.

## CUSICK-SCHUNIGHT.

### Popular Young People Keep Their Wedding a Secret.

Peter J. Cusick and Miss Mary Schunight were quietly married by the Very Rev. Father James P. Cronin at St. Patrick's church on the evening of April 25. Their secret was well kept and the announcement in the Kentucky Irish American will bear the glad tidings to their many friends. They had for some time been engaged and had planned to be married publicly. When the late James Cusick, brother of the groom, was taken ill the couple changed their plans. When the sick brother began to recuperate the marriage was again considered. It was determined to have it performed quietly and so it was. Only a few close friends were let into the secret. The death of Mr. Cusick's brother, followed closely by that of his mother, prevented a public announcement sooner.

Mr. Cusick is a Deputy County Assessor and well known in Irish-American circles. His bride is the charming daughter of Frederick Schunight, of 1310 West Madison street. Mr. and Mrs. Schunight will soon begin housekeeping on their own account.

## FRIGHTFUL WRECK

### Engineer John B. Keyer Played Hero and Then Collapsed.

One of the most frightful calamities that ever occurred in Louisville was the wreck at Seventh and Hill streets Monday morning when nine lives were crushed out and a score or more were seriously injured. The Louisville & Nashville train from Knoxville collided with a freight train standing in the siding. The accident, it is believed, was due to a broken flange on a wheel under the smoking car. Women vied with men in relieving the injured.

John B. Keyer, one of the most careful men on the road, was engineer of the ill-fated train. After the wreck he helped to remove the dead and injured from the debris. On Wednesday his nerves gave way and he suffered such a collapse that it was deemed best to send him to St. Joseph's Infirmary. His friends feel that a few weeks of rest and quiet will restore him to his normal condition.

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## TRINITY.

### Three Persons in One God Honored by Church in Solemn Festival.

### Sunday After Pentecost Is Consecrated to Triune God.

### From Cradle to Grave Catholics Receive Blessings in Their Name.

### FEELINGS THAT SHOULD ACTUATE US

Sunday, June 10, will be Trinity Sunday, the last opportunity given those lukewarm Catholics who do not attend communion regularly to comply with their Easter duty. The Catholic who fails to comply with this commandment of the church excommunicates himself. Should such a person die in that state the remains could not be taken into a Catholic church nor could the body be interred in consecrated ground.

The church teaches us that there are three persons in one God—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost—and it is to honor this triune Deity that the church calls upon the faithful to celebrate Trinity Sunday. When our Divine Redeemer was on earth He bade his apostles and disciples: "Go teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." From that time forward the Catholic church has never ceased to baptize in the name of the three august persons. From the cradle to the grave she uses this sign over her children. When we are made strong in the faith by the sacrament of confirmation it is in the name of the Holy Trinity. When our sins are forgiven in the sacrament of penance it is in the same blessed sign. When we are fed with the body and blood of our Saviour it is in the name of the Adorable Trinity. So it is with all the sacraments, Canticles of joy and hymns of sorrow are all concluded by rendering glory to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

When there was a question of establishing a particular festival of the Blessed Trinity in order to satisfy the devotion of those who sought it, great doctors and saints rostrated. They claimed that all the festivals of the year, being only parts of the general and perpetual festival of the Trinity, it was superfluous to institute a particular festival of the kind. They urged that all the festivals, temples and altars were dedicated to the Blessed Trinity.

However, in the year 920 Stephen, Bishop of Liege, caused an office to be written in honor of the festival. Neighboring churches received it and the devotion spread rapidly. Early in the twelfth century the festival was generally adopted and its celebration was fixed for the octave of or first Sunday after Pentecost. This day was celebrated for two reasons—first, because it was vacant, that is, it had no office; secondly, to remind the faithful that the Trinity is the end and consummation of all festivals and mysteries, even those of our Lord.

It was not until the fourteenth century that the celebration became a universal law of the church. Pope John XXII. attached it irrevocably to the Sunday after Pentecost and caused its office to be substituted for that of the octave, which was thenceforth concluded at none on the Saturday of Quarter Time.

The church calls upon her faithful children to celebrate joyfully the particular festival that she has consecrated to the three adorable persons and reminds them that their lives ought to be one continued festival in honor of the Trinity. The people are called upon to imitate the three divine persons in lives of charity and sanctity and to be grateful for the many blessings bestowed in their name.

## ROYAL WEDDING.

### Princess Ena of Battenberg Is Now the Queen of Spain.

Alfonso, the King of Spain, and Eva, Princess of Battenberg, were united in matrimony at the Cathedral of St. Germino, Madrid, on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. All business was suspended in the city and thousands poured into the capital from all parts of Spain. Cardinal Sancha performed the ceremony and celebrated the nuptial mass that followed. The day was bright and glorious and the whole town was in gala attire.

Long before the hour set for the ceremony the Cathedral was filled with the invited guests. Aside from the immediate relatives of the King and Princess the great body of the church was filled with diplomats and special envoys from foreign countries. The wedding cortege left the royal palace at 9:30 o'clock amid the ringing of bells and firing of salutes. The whole route to the Cathedral was thronged with the cheering populace. Trumpeters, clad in crimson velvet suits, led the way and sounded the approach of the royal party. The coaches containing the King and his bride were covered with gold and are relics of bygone centuries.

The ceremonies in church were most impressive.

Among those who were given positions of honor in the Cathedral were Frederick W. Whitridge, the American special envoy and staff. Mrs. Collier, wife of the United States Minister, was the only American who witnessed the ceremony.

## FAITHFUL SERVANT

### Judge McCann Rounds Out Thirty-Five Years in Office.

Today is the thirty-fifth anniversary of Judge John McCann's entrance into life as a public official. He bears his honors modestly and his years well. In his youth he learned the molder's trade and worked at it for several years after serving his apprenticeship. He was popular with his companions as well as painstaking with his work. His friends prevailed upon him to make the race for Constable. He won and served four years and six months. Meanwhile he had grown more than ever into power and was elected Magistrate, an office he held twenty-six years and six months. While serving as Magistrate he was elected to the State Senate and represented his district eight years. Then he made the race for Judge of the Police Court and was elected. After serving a term of four years he was re-elected five months ago.

Judge McCann has a comfortable home at 1134 Sixth street, an estimable wife and lovely daughter. He has made an excellent Police Judge and ever tempers justice with mercy.

## RECENT DEATHS.

The funeral of John Smith, who died at the home of his brother-in-law, John Devinney, 1908 Maple street, took place from Sacred Heart church on Friday morning. The deceased was forty-eight years old and well known in the West End.

The funeral of Patrick Cain, who died suddenly Wednesday, took place from the residence of his brother-in-law, M. J. Durkin, 2143 Duncan street, on Friday. Requiem mass was celebrated for the repose of his soul at St. Patrick's church.

The funeral of Miss Julia Rose Keady, daughter of Mrs. M. E. Keady, who died at the home of her mother, 617 West Magnolia avenue, on Monday, took place from St. Louis Bertrand's church on Thursday. The young lady was well known and her death is deeply deplored.

Mrs. Mary Glenn, wife of Malachi Glenn, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Glover, 2983 Alford avenue, on Sunday, and was buried from St. Cecilia's church on Tuesday morning. The deceased was fifty-six years old and had spent a great part of her life in Louisville.

John Crawley, Jr., aged twenty-five years, died at his home, 933 Tenth street, Saturday morning, and was buried from the Cathedral on Monday morning. His father, John Crawley, Sr., his mother, who before her marriage was Miss Kate Hines, and six brothers and four sisters survive. A large circle of acquaintances followed the remains to the grave.

The funeral of little Mary Louise Burke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Burke, who died at the residence of her grandmother, Mrs. Mary O'Donnell, at Meadowbrook, at midnight Saturday, took place from Holy Name church on Tuesday morning. The child was only seven years old and was the sunshine of the family. She had been ill of pneumonia about ten days.

Joseph P. Waechter, one of the best known young men in the East, died at his home, 815 East Chestnut street, Saturday afternoon. The deceased was the son of John F. E. Waechter and was twenty-four years old. He was an active member of Trinity Council, Y. M. C. A., the Casino Club and of the Falls City Bowling League. His funeral took place from St. Martin's church on Tuesday. The large attendance testified to the high esteem in which he was held.

Mrs. Catherine Nicely died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Annie Adams, 714 Twentieth street, on Sunday afternoon. Death resulted from a complication of diseases. She was fifty-eight years old and spent the greater part of her life in Louisville. Her husband, Fred Nicely, Sr., and seven children survive. The children are Mesdames Annie Adams, Emma Schott, Lizzie Bradford and Miss Minnie Nicely, and Messrs. William, Joseph and Fred Nicely, Jr. The funeral took place from St. Charles' church on Tuesday morning.

## NOW CAPT. DRUM.

Lieut. Hugh Drum, of Boston, has been promoted to a Captaincy on the orders of President Roosevelt. The new Captain is a son of Capt. John Drum, who lost his life in the charge at El Caney, and a brother of Pather Drum, S. J. Many Louisville people, especially the older generation in St. Louis Bertrand's parish, will remember the Drum family. The father, who lost his life in Cuba, was stationed at Taylor barracks in this city for several years after the war. He was a devout member of the Dominican parish during his stay here. For several years prior to the outbreak of the Spanish-American war he served as military instructor in St. Xavier's College, New York.

## UNITY.

### Of Purpose Is the Watchword of the Knights of Columbus.

### Great National Convention to Be Held at New Haven.

### Cardinal Gibbons Will Officiate at Dedication New of Home.

### KENTUCKY'S ABLE REPRESENTATIVES

The annual national convention of the Knights of Columbus will be held at New Haven, Conn., next week and the sessions will continue from Monday until Friday. This will mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the order and it is fitting that the celebration of that event should take place at the very cradle of the society. The object of the Knights of Columbus is to unite Catholics of good character for the highest development and elevation of members in all that pertains to the best in moral, social and literary acquirements and to assist each other in the attainment of all commendable undertakings. The necessity for such an organization is apparent. Irish Catholics have had their societies for years. So also have the Germans, French, Italian and Catholics of other nationalities. But the Knights of Columbus is an American institution and it covers with its banner all Catholic men of whatever race. Irish-American, German-American, Franco-American and all meet in fraternity and with the same high purpose in view. There is not a State in the Union that has not at least one council of the order. There are even councils in Honolulu, in Montreal, in Winnipeg and the Philippine Islands. The order is particularly strong in the East. Not less than 50,000 Knights live within a radius of 100 miles from New Haven and it is hardly necessary to state that 90 per cent. of them will attend the convention.

One feature of the celebration of particular interest will be the dedication of the new national home just completed at a cost of \$100,000. His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons will officiate at the dedication ceremonies and many other church dignitaries will take part in the proceedings.

Kentucky will be ably represented by Past District Deputies James J. Fitzgerald and Robert A. Watson. While many States surpass ours in magnitude of membership, Messrs. Fitzgerald and Watson will be able to hold their own in any company, and our State Council can rest assured that her interests will be well looked after. The entire order in New England has joined with the New Haven Knights in arranging receptions and social functions in honor of the guests from a distance. It is probable that a number of Louisville Knights will make the trip East, although only the regular delegates will be allowed a voice on the floor.

The order in Louisville is not yet eight years old, but it numbers 550 members. One of the first of our citizens to recognize the value of this superb organization was P. E. Henchey. His business trips to the East brought him in frequent contact with the Knights in New York, Boston and elsewhere. For three or four years he returned with fresh stories of the good the order was doing in uniting our people. To him more than to any other man belongs the credit for the organization of Louisville Council. It was instituted December 11, 1898, and from that time forward it has grown and prospered.

Indiana, Tennessee, Missouri, Illinois and Louisiana followed in Kentucky's wake, and now there is not a State in the South that has not one or more councils. Besides the council here in Kentucky has councils at Paducah, Lexington, Covington, Owensboro and Somerset.

## LID CASES.

### Judge McCann Declined to Render Opinion in Short Order.

The saloon-keepers, charged with violating the law by keeping open last Sunday, were tried in the Police Court on Wednesday. So intense was the interest of the public that the court-room was crowded to suffocation. Several ministers and many representative liquor men were in the crowd. The lid was on tight Sunday and the closing affected professional ball players, barber shops, bowling alleys and the parks as well as saloon-keepers. About twenty saloon-keepers were arrested and twenty-three members of the Louisville and Toledo ball teams were taken to Central police station and then released on bond. Neither the proprietors of bowling alleys nor barber shops made any attempt to test the Sunday closing law.

When the cases were called Wednesday Judge McCann occupied the bench. Aaron Kohn appeared as attorney for the saloon-keepers, while Prosecuting Attorney Robert J. Hagan and City Attorney James Richards appeared to enforce the

law. After hearing the evidence Mr. Kohn moved to dismiss his clients on the ground that the law was unconstitutional. Messrs. Hagan and Richards argued to the contrary. Judge McCann declined to render a decision off hand, but stated that he would hand it down at 9 o'clock Friday morning, an hour too late for this week's issue.

## COMMENCEMENTS.

### Season of Sweet Girl and Bright Boy Graduates at Hand.

The commencement season is rapidly approaching and a host of pretty girls and bright young men will begin their life's work in the world. Kentucky is not behind in Catholic educational institutions in proportion to her population. Each successive summer sees her sons and daughters go forth into new and untried fields. This year the crop of sweet girl graduates and bright youths will be better than ever.

The Sacred Heart Academy, on the Cherokee drive, conducted by the Ursuline Sisters, will hold its graduation exercises on Tuesday, June 19. Six young ladies will receive diplomas. On the same day Cedar Grove Academy will hold its exercises and two young ladies will graduate.

The pupils of Presentation Academy will hold their commencement at 10 o'clock on Monday, June 11. The graduates will be Mary Agnes Banet, Katie Aloysius Driscoll, May Angela McCarthy, Katherine Rocheford O'Bryan, Mary Gertrude Simpson and Lillian Catherine Waltering. "Truth Conquers" is the class motto and the American Beauty is the class flower.

## MACKIN'S PICNIC.

### Tickets For Fontaine Ferry Outing Are Going Rapidly.

Mackin Council's picnic committee held a special meeting Saturday night and heard reports from the various sub-committees. D. Oliver Patton reported that an excellent band had been secured for the dancing hall and that the members of Mackin Social Club would send out invitations to their friends, and thus swell the crowd at Fontaine Ferry Park on Thursday, June 21. Will Daily, Frank Lanahan and John Boland, who have charge of the tickets, announced that between 8,000 and 9,000 had been distributed. It may be necessary to order an additional 10,000 tickets. Ben Sand, who is in charge of the souvenir, stated that he was getting plenty of advertising and would have a handsome souvenir ready for distribution on June 17.

The committee decided to admit children accompanied by parents to the grounds free of charge. Parents are accordingly invited to bring their little ones to the picnic during the afternoon. The committee have made special arrangements for the proper entertainment of the youngsters.

## POPE'S BLESSING

### Bestowed On Gregorian Choir at St. Louis Bertrand's Church.

The Very Rev. Father B. F. Logan, O. P., Prior of St. Louis Bertrand's convent, read the following letter at St. Louis Bertrand's church last Sunday:

ROME, April 22, 1906.—Very Rev. and Dear Father: I am happy to be able to inform you that his Holiness, Pius X., has graciously deigned to bestow his apostolic blessing on the Gregorian choir attached to St. Louis Bertrand church in Louisville, Ky., and would ask you to communicate this good news to the members of said choir. Wishing them every success in carrying out the desires of his Holiness, I beg to remain devotedly yours in St. Dominic.

FATHER H. M. CORMEIER, O. P., Master General.

After reading the letter Father Logan congratulated the men who formed the choir on having attracted the attention of the Holy Father and on having received his special blessing. He also spoke feelingly on the sacredness of the Gregorian chant and urged the men to greater efforts.

## TRINITY SHOWS RESPECT.

Trinity Council held a brief session on Monday night and then adjourned out of respect to the memory of Joseph Waechter, an esteemed member of the order. In the absence of President Martin, Mark Morris occupied the chair. After the report of the Visiting Committee was read the council adjourned and the members proceeded in a body to the house of their deceased brother. On Sunday Trinity held a special meeting and adopted resolutions on Mr. Waechter's death and appointed eight members to act as honorary pall-bearers.

## FRANK M'DONOUGH'S RISE.

Frank A. McDonough has accepted a position as sales manager with Bridgeford & Co. and assumed his new duties yesterday. He is one of the most popular young men in the city. During the past season he has been with the Diller Bros. and has been very successful in his business. He is a native of Kentucky and is well known in the business circles of the city.

## COMPLETE.

### The American Ice and Storage Company Owns Largest Local Plant.

### Irish-American Business Men Saw Necessity and Business Value.

### The Latest and Most Modern Machinery Used in Manufacture.

### CAPACITY MUST BE INCREASED

It remained for a bunch of energetic Irish-Americans to give Louisville the largest and most complete ice manufacturing plant in the city. The name of the corporation is the American Ice and Storage Company and the plant is located at Floyd and Pearl streets, central enough for all practical purposes. Within ninety-seven days from the time that the company was formed the plant had been erected and one machine was making ice. The second was put into service soon afterward, and within a week the third machine will be placed in commission. The plant is 150 by 100 feet and there is ground enough remaining to double its size whenever it becomes necessary.

Upon leaving the office the visitor first encounters the Klondyke or storage room for ice blocks. This department is 90x24 feet. Here the blocks are stored until the delivery wagons are ready to remove them. Next comes the tank room. It is here that the ice is made. Each can hold 315 pounds of ice and of this fifteen pounds are allowed for melting. There are 800 cans in each of the three tanks, or 2,400 cans in all. At present the plant is turning out 100 tons a day and before